

The Seagull



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Next week is Week 2

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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Snow!

As you will probably be aware there has been a great deal of publicity about the extreme weather that we have been experiencing, as well as the JRCS rules relating to snow balls! Many thanks to all those parents and students, both past and present who have contacted me to express their support for the way in which we deal with this particular issue.

The weather has certainly presented us with many challenges and I want to thank all parents who have made a real effort to support us in ensuring that their sons and daughters arrive on time to school and ready to learn.

Can you please keep checking the school website, our twitter account and text messages for further updates and any other potential changes to the timings of the school day.

Year 9 Parents' Evening rearranged for Wednesday 7th March 3:45pm – 6:45pm

Due to the bad weather we unfortunately had to cancel The Year 9 Parents' Evening this week. We have rearranged the date to Wednesday 7th March from 3:45pm - 6:45pm. As I mentioned last week this is an important event as it is the final part of the process that ensures all our Year 9 students have as much information as possible to help them make the right choices for their Key Stage 4 courses.

After meeting with teaching staff, all Year 9 students must attend an SLT interview where they can hand in their Option Choice Form. I look forward to seeing every Year 9 parent there.

Gold Seagulls



Well done and congratulations to this weeks Gold Seagull winners:

Tyara-Kim Ekunola 7B, Milly Emery 7E,
Frankie Garland 7D and Devika Ahtty 9I.

Alice Campbell 13B - Fencing



Over the past two years Alice Campbell's performance has been outstanding and she has now been selected to represent Great Britain at the European Championships In Sochi, Russia. Alice will be staying in the Olympic Village with her three team mates and officials. This will be an amazing experience for Alice.

Last Friday she received an email informing her that she has also been selected to represent Great Britain at the World Championships in Verona Italy and has also been selected for the Junior Commonwealth Games that will be hosted in England. This is a result of 9 years of dedication and commitment from Alice. This is every athlete's dream, well done and good luck Alice!

Mr Smith
Headteacher



Year 8 Form Reps



I just wanted to write a note in the Seagull to reinforce how proud I am of my Year 8 form reps, they have been working exceptionally hard to listen to opinions/complaints and bring them to the table in a mature manner. They have also spent time writing letters, speaking to staff and even meeting with Mr Smith in their plight for change.

During the last half-term they also completed a form rep assembly and this half-term has seen them spending time to create suggestion boxes for their form room. This level of commitment and maturity is truly wonderful and I cannot wait to see what they achieve!

Selin Acar 8A, John Olanrewaju 8B, Rachel Okine 8C, Noorajhan Ahmed 8D, Courtney Robinson 8E, Megan McCabe 8F, Rebekah Ogunturin 8G, John Egbedeyi 8H, Osman Kamara 8I and Orestas Vecys 8J.

Well done!

Miss Draisey
Head of Year 8

MathsFeast

On Wednesday 21st February, four Year 10 students competed against 18 other schools in the MathsFeast. Representing Jo Richardson Community School: Larisa Cring, Najeeb Ahmed, Jeidan Smith and Klaidas Runele travelled to Central Foundation Girls' School and solved a wide range of problems, from matching different coloured faces of a cube, to solving tricky algebra dilemmas!

Larissa, Najeeb, Jeidan and Klaidas' work was exemplary, and showed other schools across London the great problem-solving skills that students have at JRCS.

Well done!

Ms Colborne
Maths Department

Does your child have asthma?

We are currently updating our records. Please could you let us know if there has been a change in medication/condition for your child.

If your child is already recorded as having asthma on the schools records you will be receiving a letter regarding the new asthma policy for school.

Have you changed your telephone number?

We require up to date numbers to use in the event of an emergency or illness in school. Please send a written note in with you child so that we can update the schools records.

Student Services Department

UCL Sutton Scholars Programme



On the 14th, 15th and 16th of February, we attended a programme at the UCL campus (University College London), which taught us more about GCSE options, and career paths. A select few students from JRCS went to this programme, but many students did take this opportunity and applied. UCL is one of the best universities, ranking 7th best in the world!

The university was founded in 1826 by philosopher Jeremy Bentham, and was the first to allow people to attend regardless of religion and gender. The university has a very large campus. Each day that we arrived

at the campus we were expected to be at a different building, for example: The Astronomy building and South Cloisters building, which were about three minutes apart from each other in Central London, as we did not know where to go it could get quite stressful. When we did arrive we were put into separate groups which meant that we had to make friends ourselves, therefore, fully experiencing what university would be like.

During our time at UCL we gathered information from various sources. With our newly obtained knowledge we were then able to discuss personal opinions and conduct official debates. One of our main debates regarded the matter of colonisation on Mars which was very eye-opening when discussing with our peers. We learnt about various linguistic techniques and analysis on multiple sources from ancient times. The experience unlocked new doors and knowledge of career paths such as anthropology and philosophy. We enjoyed these events at UCL extensively.

Attended and written by:
Alba Nuhiyalli 8C, Arafat Abiola 8C and Rachel Okine 8C.

(Im)possible Works Performance – 21st February 2018

A selection of our students were recently involved in a project called '(Im)possible Works' run by the Barbican Learning Centre. They worked in collaboration with students from Barking Abbey and Eastbury to put together a couple of creative pieces for a performance as part of the 'Changing Dialogue' series.

They performed on Wednesday evening at Chat's Palace in Hackney, a very different venue to the type our students are used to performing in. They all performed incredibly well and enjoyed the experience of seeing the audience dancing to their own pieces. We then stayed to listen to a band made up of Guildhall students (some of which had assisted the school group performance) where they played a number of funky pieces including plenty of improvisation as well as spoken word. All in all, it was a fantastic experience for all involved. We would like to thank our students for the commitment and hard work shown throughout the project. They had a series of after school rehearsals

at other schools and represented JRCS very well.



Students involved were as follows:
Charlie Mould 12D, Sam Clarke 10A, Ibukun Silva Ope 10F, Gerren Ntiri 10G, Shanise Garner 10H, James Kiely 9A, Ayaan Chida 9B, Libby Jones 9D and Jonjoe Mould 9G.

Music Department

Cooking Club



We had an excellent turn out this week at Cooking Club with 21 students. They produced some lovely hot cross buns, the standard of work was outstanding and the students showed great commitment to the club.

Well done.

Mr Hargreaves
Food and Catering

Year 9 Boys Football

Congratulations to the Year 9 boys football team who have reached the final of the Borough Cup Competition. The boys beat Eastbury School 2-1 in the semi-final, despite being 1-0 down at half-time, everyone put in a much improved performance in the second half and goals from Olu Owuseni and Taylor Skinner helped the team win the game. It is the first time in many years that any KS3/4 football team has reached the Borough Cup final so this is a very unique achievement which the students should be very proud of.

The final will be played on 14th March against Eastbrook School.

Mr Howard
PE Department



Year 8 and 9 PE Rewards Trip



On Friday 23rd February we attended the ITTF Table Tennis Team World Cup at the Copper Box Arena, London. 20 students were invited from PE as a reward for their positive mindset and behaviour in PE in the first half of the year. This was a fantastic opportunity for students to watch the elite athletes in action and increase their knowledge and understanding of the rules and tactics used in Table Tennis. The students also had a chance to play some table tennis in between matches and we were fortunate enough to watch the England ladies team beat Singapore and the men beat Egypt.

We hope to reward more students in the Summer term with live sport opportunities and students will be selected on mindset and behaviour in lessons not purely on performance.



Well done to all those students involved and hope you enjoyed the experience

Miss Boulton
Head of PE



OFFICE ASSISTANTS

The Office Assistants for next week:

Monday	Amy Stacey 8F
Tuesday	Maisey Thompson 8F
Wednesday	Mariyah Tufael 8F
Thursday	Naila Begum 8G
Friday	Vanessa Dapaah 8G

Year 10 Mock Exams

Below is a copy of the Year 10 and 11 exam timetables. These are internal exams and students will be required to attend normal lessons. Please make sure students have a good breakfast and they have the correct equipment with them for each exam, including a calculator (if needed) and a black pen. If they wish to, they may bring water, but this needs to be in a clear plastic bottle with the label removed. Please remind your child that under no circumstances should mobile phones be taken into exam rooms. If your child is unable to attend any of their exams, please call the attendance line as usual and we will require a letter from your doctor.

Day/Date	Paper	Time	Location
Thursday 8 th March	Art	All day	Art Corridor
Monday 12 th March	Maths Paper 1	8:45am	Hall & Dance
Monday 12 th March	Dance	11:15am	Hall
Monday 12 th March	DT	11:15am	Hall
Monday 12 th March	Food Preparation & Nutrition	11:15am	Hall
Monday 12 th March	Hospitality & Catering Online	11:15am	IT1
Monday 12 th March	Computer Science	2:00pm	Hall
Monday 12 th March	Music	2:00pm	Dance Studio
Tuesday 13 th March	RE	8:45am	Hall
Tuesday 13 th March	Spanish Listening & Reading	8:45am	Dance Studio
Tuesday 13 th March	Citizenship	11:15am	Hall
Tuesday 13 th March	Geography	2:00pm	Hall
Wednesday 14 th March	Maths Paper 2	8:45am	Hall & Dance
Wednesday 14 th March	History Paper	11:15am	Hall & Dance
Thursday 15 th March	Business	8:45am	Hall
Thursday 15 th March	French Listening & Reading	11:15am	Hall
Thursday 15 th March	Science Biology	2:00pm	Hall
Friday 16 th March	Media	8:45am	Hall & Dance
Friday 16 th March	PE	11:15am	Hall
Friday 16 th March	Construction	2:00pm	Hall
Friday 16 th March	French & Spanish Writing	2:00pm	Hall

Year 11 Mock Exams

Date	Paper	Time
Monday 5 th March	Geography Paper 2	8:45am
Monday 5 th March	Computer Science 2	11:15am
Monday 5 th March	Triple Science Physics	2:00pm
Tuesday 6 th March	Media	8:45am
Tuesday 6 th March	History Paper 2	11:15am
Wednesday 7 th March	Music Listening	8:45am
Wednesday 7 th March	Business Studies & Economics Unit 1 (Clashes)	11:15am
Thursday 8 th March	English Literature Paper 1	8:45am
Thursday 8 th March	Maths Paper 3	11:15am
Thursday 8 th March	Combined Science C1	2:00pm
Friday 9 th March	English Literature Paper 2	8:45am
Friday 9 th March	Business Studies & Economics Unit 3 & 5	11:15am
Friday 9 th March	Dance	11:15am
Friday 9 th March	PE Paper 2	11:15am
Friday 9 th March	Combined Science C2	2:00pm
Wednesday 14 th March	DT	All day
Thursday 15 th & Friday 16 th March	Art	All day



Special Offer

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for JRCS parents/guardians**



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with the discount code: **JRCSCG18** to find out
more information or to claim your discount!

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SALE

Castle Green Uniform Shop - Jo Richardson
Community School Rain Coats **HALF PRICE - JUST
£5 EACH**

Grab yourself a bargain and get JRCS rain coats for
just £5 each - *in store only and whilst stocks last!*





**JRCS GCSE Exam
Spring Showcase**

Thursday 22nd March

Boothroyd Hall

5.30pm – 6.30pm

Performances from A level, GCSE and KS3 dancers

Tickets – Donation at the door